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Remove illegal number plates in a week, motorists warned

Mysuru / Bengaluru, Dec.22 (MTY& BCT)- The Transport Department has warned motorists of action under the Motor Vehicles Act if their vehicles continue to have illegal, illegible and flamboyant vehicle registration number plates after one week.

Unauthorised use of Government emblems in vehicles or using number plates in different fonts than those prescribed in the Central Motor Vehicles Rules will also draw action. In a notification issued on Friday, the Department has stated that the rule will be implemented across Karnataka and after the deadline, drives will be launched to crackdown on the vehicles that sport such designer number plates.

"Many vehicle owners are violating rules. They mark 'Karnataka' instead of 'KA', write decorative letters in various colours and styles, exhibit different pictures on number plates, paint or paste green, red colour bands on the upper and lower part of number plates," read a statement issued by Karnataka Transport Commissioner N. Shivakumar.

"The size of registration mark and numerals to be displayed on number plates should be as per Central Motor Vehicles Rules. The letter of the registration mark should be in English and figures in Arabic numerals," he said.

Some of the plates in question had the numbers inscribed on the license plates in vernacular or written in fancy fonts that would make the digits appear like words.

(See NUMBER PLATES on page 7)

Man arrested
for cheating women through matrimonial sites

Mysuru, Dec.22 (BCT)- A man has been arrested by Krishnaraja (KR) Police in city for allegedly cheating widows on the matrimonial and dating sites after befriending them. The women were made to believe that they were dealing with genuine groom and they were conned later.

The conman has been identified as 47-year-old Vineeth Raj, a resident of Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu. He has been charged with cheating a widow by taking away her *mangalsutra* worth Rs.80,000 after promising to marry her. He has cheated one more woman from Vidyaranyapuram in Mysuru and one from Indiranagar in Bengaluru.

The widow, who was cheated recently, is from city and she had uploaded her profile on *shaadi.com* in the hope of getting a suitable life partner. After the profile was updated, last month, Vineeth Raj contacted the woman through the matrimonial site and introduced himself as a businessman from Coimbatore. They exchanged their mobile numbers.

Woman falls into trap: He told the woman that his wife had passed away five years back and he wanted to marry again. Through his glib, Vineeth Raj was able to convince the woman that he was a genuine groom. The widow, without realising that Vineeth Raj was indeed a conman, fell easily into his trap.

Vineeth Raj told the woman that he would come to Chamundi Hill in Mysuru on Nov.18 and asked her to meet him. Both of them met at a designated place and to impress her, Vineeth Raj had brought his car. Stopping the car midway, he told her that a priest in Tamil Nadu had told him that before marriage, both of them should ward off evil forces and for this, the couple must exchange their chains (*mangalsutra* and gold chain).

Exchange of gold chains: Sensing no trouble and impressed by the conman's approach, the woman handed her 30-gram *mangalsutra* to him worth Rs.80,000. Vineeth Raj too gave her a chain that he was wearing. The woman failed to realise that it was imitation jewellery.

(See MAN ARRESTED on page 7)

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Talk on 'Woman's life
from menarche to menopause'

Mysuru, Dec.22- A talk on Women's Mental Health (Mahileyara Maanasika Aarogya) in Kannada was given by Dr. Veena Bharathi (an alumnus of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute) on Dec.18 at B.M. Shree Hall, Bengaluru.

The function was organised by Karnataka Lekhakiyara Sangha, Bengaluru and sponsored by Department of Kannada and Culture.

Dr. Veena Bharathi spoke on the various stages of a woman's life from menarche to menopause and how the hormones play a major role in the mood disorders of a woman especially after child birth.

The interactive session with the audience was very educative after a 90-minute lecture.

Vanamala Sampannakumar, President, Karnataka Lekhakiyara Sangha and Dr. Lakshminarayana, President of B.M. Shree Pratishtana, were on the dais along with guest speaker.

Dr. Veena Bharathi dedicated the session to her mother Laxmi Ashwath, Dr. Anupama Niranjana, Dr. Rajani Pai and Slain Air Hostess Neerja Bhanot, terming them as 'Women of Substance' who have shown tremendous resilience under exceptional circumstances.

She also recalled the balancing act which Prof. S.V. Parameshwara Bhatta had to go through to run his family, since his wife suffered from mental disorder from her late thirties.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Your five senses are collecting data from the outside world, every moment of your life. You are literally being bombarded with stimuli at every instant. Over time, this enormous volume of sense impressions begins to assume a certain distinctive pattern within you. This pattern slowly shapes itself into a behavioural tendency. A cluster of tendencies hardens over time into what you call your 'Personality' or your 'True Nature'. This becomes your karma; an orientation to life that you have created for yourself in relative unawareness. What you consider to be 'myself' is just an accumulation of habits, predispositions and tendencies that you have acquired over time without being conscious of the process. In other words, karma is like old software that you have written for yourself, unconsciously.

—Sadhguru Jaggi Vasudev in The Times of India

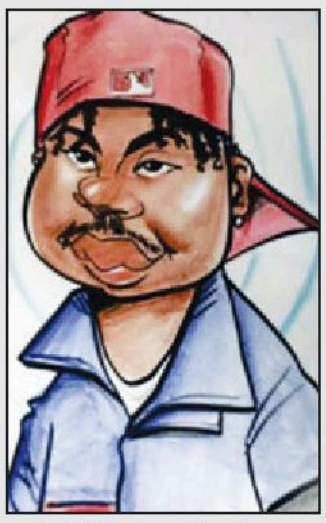
NEWS SPARKLERS

Man claims to have cooked 3.3 pounds of pork in hot car

Perth: An Australian man claims he was able to cook pork in his own car — and later eat it — because the heat was so extreme. Perth resident Stu Pengelly said he left 3.3 pounds of pork inside his old Datsun Sunny for 10 hours on a 102-degree day. Pengelly said he used a monitor throughout the day to measure the temperature. At 7 a.m., it was 86 degrees, and by 1 pm it was a scorching 177 degrees inside his car.

The Australian noted that his car has tinted windows, with aged door and window seals and "a big rust hole in the roof, which stops the car getting as hot as it potentially could." "If this was a later model vehicle & painted black the temperature at a guess could climb significantly higher," he wrote. Pengelly removed the finished product from his car, photos of which he posted on Facebook.

Artist robbed by customer; gives drawing left behind to Police

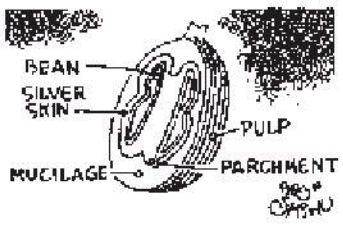


Riverside: A California man who asked a caricaturist to draw his portrait ended up allegedly stealing money from the artist, who gave Police the cartoon-like drawing in hopes it would catch the thief. The suspect had asked the artist for a portrait of himself, but just as the caricaturist had finished, the suspect grabbed the artist's money bag containing roughly $500 and fled on foot leaving the drawing behind.

The Riverside Police Department posted a photo of the drawing on its Facebook page, seeking the public's help in identifying the suspect. "This caricature is of the suspect, but of course, has exaggerated characteristics and features," Police added.

HEALTH CAPSULE
by Bron Smith

Is coffee a true bean?



No, the term "coffee bean" is a misnomer. The coffee beans is actually a stone fruit, related to apricots, cherries and dates. Its fleshy fruit covering is discarded during coffee processing. The flesh is called a "Coffee Cherry" or "Cascara" in Spanish.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Workshop on 'Ethical Issues
in Social Science Research' next month

Mysuru, Dec.22- Three Mysuru-based organisations — Centre for Research in Rural and Tribal Development, Alumni Association of the Sociology Students of the University of Mysore (AADSUM) and Samruddhi Foundation — are jointly organising a workshop on Ethical Issues in Social Science Research on Jan. 5 from 10.30 am to 5 pm at Centre for Research in Rural and Tribal Development, # 403, Contour Road, Gokulam II Stage.

Research students and interested faculty in social science related disciplines are invited to participate in the workshop, which features lectures and interactive sessions. Further details could be obtained from any of the following: Prof. Satyanarayana (94803-82564), Prof. K.C. Kalachanne Gowda (99860-10050), Prof H.M. Vasanthamma (99012-20758) or Prof. R. Indira (94480-51680).

Interested participants are also requested to send details about their name, institutional affiliation, contact phone number and address to: *samruddhi.mysore@gmail.com.*

Fee for delay in filing of Income-Tax Return

Mysuru, Dec. 22-With the insertion of new Section 234F under Income-Tax Act, 1961, it is levied a fee for delay in filing the Income-Tax return for the Assessment year 2019-20 (FY 2018-19). Any person who is earning Salary, Pension or any other income who have not filed their Income-Tax return for the FY 2018-19 shall file by paying a fee of Rs.5,000 before Dec. 31. After 31st, they shall have to pay Rs.10,000 as fee for default in furnishing return of Income.

However, the fee payable is restricted to Rs.1,000 for small tax payers whose total income of Rs. 5 lakh is arrived after allowing all deductions.

For more information reference may be made to the provisions of the Income-Tax Act, 1961, the Income-Tax Rules, 1962, relevant circulars and/or notifications, according to a press release from N.D. Shreenivaas of Bhavani Associates, Mysuru.

Really...?

- ***Football was invented in China nearly 476 BC.***
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- ***Only Canadians and Americans call football as Soccer.***
- ***During every game, Football players run an average of 9.65 km.***
- ***The first game of Basketball was played with a soccer ball.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

A woman caught her husband on the weight scale, sucking in his stomach.
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Today's Currency Rate

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 71.13
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 92.50
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 19.36
1 Euro	= Rs. 78.81

VOICE OF THE READER

Sewage water running like a stream in Raja Kaluve

Sir,

There is a Raja Kaluve or the big open rain water drainage that runs from Bogadi to Lingambudhi crossing the Ring Road at Kanakadasanagar near Sa.Ra. Convention Hall.

The underground drainage that runs under the said open drain has opened up letting a foul smelling sewage affluent forming a pool as well as stream giving the surrounding residents a very filthy smell all through the day and night.

I request the civic authorities and area Corporator to look into this serious problem and set right it.

—B.G. Balaji

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Power disruption on Dec.24

Mysuru, Dec.22- Owing to emergency maintenance works undertaken by CESC, power supply will be disrupted in the following areas on Dec.24 from 10 am to 5 pm:

Megalapura Power Distribution Centre: Megalapura, Kilanapura, Siddaramanahundi, M.C. Hundi, Inam Uttanahalli, Kuppegala, Muddegowdanahundi, Ranganathapura, Srinivasapura, Devegowdanahundi, Yadakola, Kadavekattehundi, Hosahalli, Gurukarapura, Duddagere, Mahadevi Colony, Lakshmipura, Madhavgere, Varakodu Paper Mill, Kupya, Bommanayakanahalli, K.P. Hundi and surrounding areas.

Mysuru South Power Distribution Centre: Srirampura, Ramabainagar, Mahadevapura, Jayanagar, Parasainahundi, Shivapura, Kuvempunagar, areas surrounding Apollo Hospitals, Gorur, Kalalavadi, Kotehundi, Yadahalli, Rayanakere, Saraswathipuram, parts of K.G. Koppalu and surrounding areas.

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Silver Jubilee celebrations of Mysore Bank Colony Residents Association

Mysuru, Dec.22- The Mysore Bank Colony Residents' Cultural and Welfare Association, Srirampura, which was started on 27.1.1993, has completed 25 years of its existence, thanks to a large service-minded people as office-bearers and active social workers, working endlessly to bring up the development of the layout.

The Silver Jubilee celebrations will be held on Dec.23 at Veene Seshanna Bhavan in Kuvempunagar at 4.30 pm.

On the occasion, the Association will be felicitating H.S. Nanjundaswamy, Director of SBM Employees Housing Cooperative Society, for forming the layout and handing over it to SBM employees at an affordable price.

The programme will be inaugurated by T.T. Kumara Nayaka, MCC Assistant Commissioner. Corporator Champaka will be the guest of honour.

Various cultural programmes will be held including Sangeetha Vaividhya by Vid. Shivashankaraswamy, the famous mridangist and AIR artiste. Arunkumar Shettar will preside over the function. Prizes will be distributed to the winners of sports and other competitions held earlier.

Workshop on 'Industry Ready Competency' from Dec.23 to 28

Mysuru, Dec.22- The Department of Civil Engineering at the National Institute of Engineering (NIE), Mysuru, is organising a workshop on 'Industry Ready Competency' under the sponsorship of Technical Education Quality Improvement Prog. (TEQIP-III) from Dec.23 to 28.

The workshop will be inaugurated on Monday by chief guest Dr. Ashok Rao, Director, NIE, at Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Hall, Administrative Block, NIE, at 9 am. Dr. N. Suresh, Dean (AA) and Dr. G. Sarangapani, Chairman, TPAC, NIE, will be the guests of honour. Dr. G. Ravi, Principal, NIE, will preside.

The workshop will provide greater insights into various aspects and preparedness of the students to work in industry. This event will cover various aspects of student's competency towards industry need and readiness. The targeted/participating audiences will be the final year students from Dept. of Civil Engineering. Technical talks will be delivered by resource persons having more than 25 years of industry experience.

Dr. K.C. Manjunath, Dept. Head and Dr. H.S. Prasanna will be the coordinators of the event.

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St. Joseph's Hospital, one of the leading Hospital in Mysore, celebrated Christmas functions. Most Rev. Dr. K.A. William Bishop of Mysore was the chief guest and presided the function in presence of Rev. Msgr. C. Rayappa, Rev. Msgr. Leslie Moras and other Trust member's. Welcome Speech was delivered by Rev. Fr. Sanjay Kumar, Administrator and vote fo thanks by Rev. Fr. Manuel D' Souza, Director, Various cultural programmes were organised by the staff members. During the function 'SAMRUDHI' the Audio CD was released. Advt.

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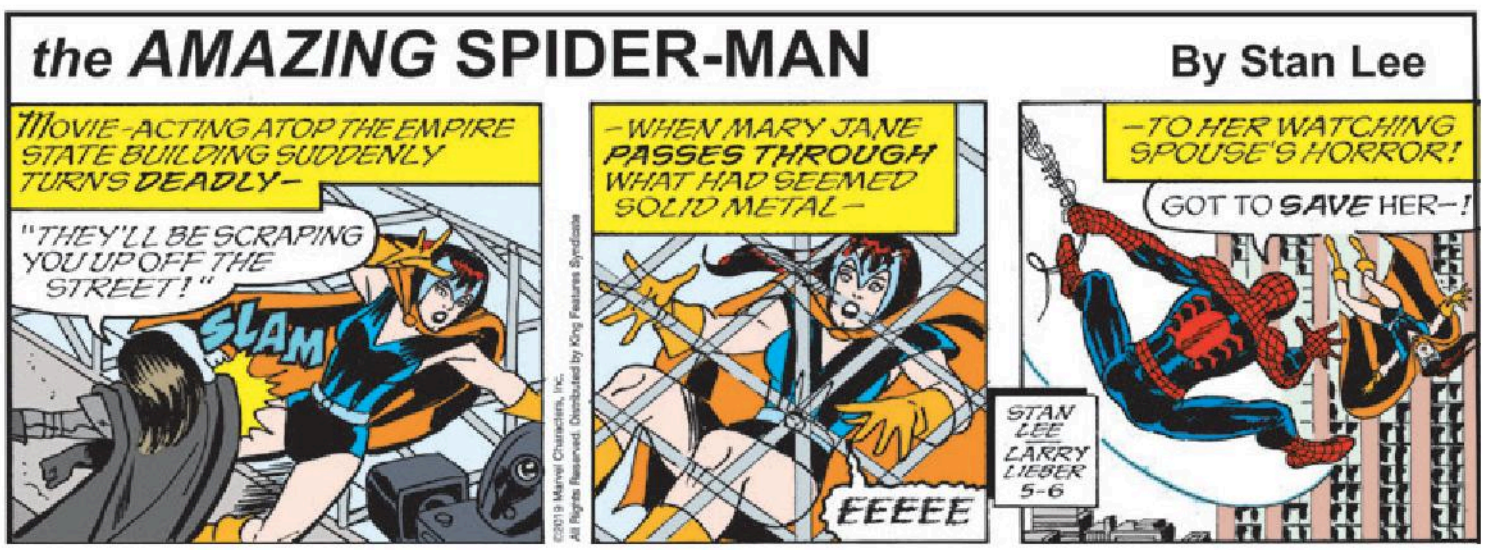
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NEWS BRIEFS

Music event venue changed

The Hindustani Vocal Concert by Pt. Prabhu Rao, organised by Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, which was scheduled to be held at Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira at 6.30 pm today (Dec.22), will now be held at Jayanagar Sri Rama Mandira, according to a press release from the Trust. He will be accompanied by Pt. Ramesh Dhannur on tabla and Pt. Sriram Bhat on harmonium.

Staging of play 'The Lesson'

Mysuru's Baa Shrusti, in association with Seagull Theatre, will be performing Eugène Ionesco's play 'The Lesson' at Mini Theatre in Kalamandira premises in city at 7 pm today (Dec.22). The play is directed by former Rangayana Director Bhageerathi Bai Kadam. For details, contact Mob: 99162-31801.

Free Health Camp on Dec.24

Mysuru Veerashaiva Sajjana Sangha, in association with NJS Charitable Trust and Lions Club of Mysore Heritage City, will be conducting a free health check-up camp (including Ayurveda, Yoga and Dental) at Kanti Mallanna Kalyana Mandira located on Kabir Road, near Mandi Police Station, at 9.30 am on Dec.24. For registration and details, call Mob: 99161-55453.

Public Auction

A public auction will be conducted at Taluk Office in K.R. Nagar on Dec.24 at 11 am for obtaining rights to collect taxes on stalls to be erected from Jan.1 to 31 near Srirama Temple in Chunchanakatte as part of the Brahma Rathotsava celebrations. The details of the auction is notified at the Taluk Office.

Vehicles seized and lying at NR Traffic Police Station in city will be sold in public auction if the vehicle owners do not reclaims their vehicles with documents within 30 days of publication of this notice.

Date extended

Minorities Welfare Department has extended the last date for submission of applications for scholarships by students of the community (Pre-Matric, Post-Matric and Merit-cum-Means) online till Jan.15, 2020. [Ph: 0821-2422088]

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Family living in a toilet gets house

Mysuru, Dec.22 (MTY&DM)- Following the lead story in *SOM* dated Dec.18 in which the plight of a 14-member family living in a public toilet at Rajendranagar-Kesare in city was highlighted, the District Administration has provided shelter to the family at a housing complex in Yellamma Colony of Bannimantap.

One Krishnamma had been living with 13 other members of her family at a public toilet near the old Kurimandi at Rajendranagar-Kesare for the past several years. Soon after reports appeared on the deplorable conditions that the family was living, the District Administration had assured Krishnamma's family of a house.

Following directions from Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar and MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde, Karnataka Slum Development Board Executive Engineer (EE) Chennakeshavaiah and Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) Tejashree provided a vacant house at a housing complex built by the Board under JnNURM Project at Yellamma Colony in Bannimantap to Krishnamma's family as a temporary measure. The Board officials said that a permanent shelter will be provided to Krishnamma's family under a housing scheme, once the family submits the necessary documents.

Sandalwood thieves and red sanders smuggler arrested in city

Rs.83.6 lakh worth sandalwood and red sanders recovered

Mysuru, Dec.22 (KS)- In separate cases, Nazarbad Police and the City Crime Branch (CCB) Police have arrested three sandalwood thieves and another person on charges of illegally storing red sanders logs to be smuggled to the international market and have recovered 45 kg sandalwood billets and 750 kg red sanders logs, totally worth Rs.83.6 lakh from them.

In the first case, Nazarbad Police, who were investigating sandalwood thefts in their jurisdiction, conducted a special operation and arrested 34-year-old Harris Iqbal of Rajivnagar on Dec.19 and during interrogation, the accused is said to have confessed of chopping and stealing a sandalwood tree grown in the premises of Gopala Gowda Hospital along with his two accomplices.

Based on the information provided by Iqbal, the Police arrested his two accomplices — 29-year-old Wasim Akram of Rajivnagar and 31-year-old Syed Mujar of Mandi Mohalla — and interrogated the trio during which they are said to have confessed of stealing sandalwood trees at three places in Nazarbad Police limits.

Following the information provided by the accused, the Police have recovered 45 kg sandalwood billets worth Rs.3.6 lakh from them.

DCP B.T. Kavitha and Devaraja Sub-Division ACP Shashidhar supervised Nazarbad Inspector H.R. Vivekananda, Sub-Inspector N.R. Bhavya, Probationary Sub-Inspector Siddesh, ASI Govinda Nayaka, CCB staff Joseph Noronha, Nazarbad Police Station staff B.V. Prakash, H.V. Madhukesh, P. Chethan, Sandesh Kumar, H.S. Chethan, Rajesh, Dhananjay and Sowmya in the nabbing and recovery operation.

In the second case, the CCB Police on Dec.20 raided a house on Pulikeshi Road in Mandi Mohalla where red sanders logs were illegally stored to be smuggled to the international market and arrested one person, who was sitting inside a Toyota Qualis in front of the house.

The arrested is 32-year-old Fairoz Ali Khan of Pulikeshi Road in city. During interrogation, the accused is said to have confessed of illegally purchasing red sanders wood from other State, store them illegally and smuggle them to international market in ships. The Police have recovered 80 red sanders logs weighing 750 kg and worth Rs.80 lakh which was stored in the house and also kept in the Toyota Qualis vehicle.

DCP M. Muthuraj and CCB Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) V. Mariyappa supervised CCB Inspector C. Kiran Kumar, Mandi Inspector Arun, CCB ASIs Chandregowda, Alexander, Raju and Subash Chandra and staff C. Chikkanna, C.N. Shivaraju, M.R. Ganesh, Ramaswamy, Asgar Khan, P.N. Lakshmikanth, Yakub Shariff, Chandrashekar, Niranjan, Anand, Anil, Gautham and Chamundamma in the raid, nabbing and recovery operation, according to press releases from the PRO, City Police Commissioner's Office, Mysuru.

Senior BJP leader Kautilya Raghu

decries agitation against Citizenship Act

Mysuru, Dec.22- Decrying the ongoing protests across the country against the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), senior BJP leader and former KEA Chairman Kautilya Raghu has said that the agitations were part of a bigger conspiracy to undermine the growing supremacy of India in the global map.

Kautilya Raghu

In a press release, Raghu accused Congress leaders of fanning violence across the country in the name of CAA.

Maintaining that the CAA has been brought in to protect the rights of genuine countrymen, Raghu alleged that concerted efforts are being made to malign the country's image through false propaganda.

Alleging that anti-national forces were behind the protests, Raghu asserted that the CAA does not target any religion or individual and is aimed at protecting the identity and rights of every citizen of the country.

Blaming the Congress for the protests, he said that the Congress is misleading the people through false propaganda about CAA and is instilling unnecessary fear among the minorities, just for the sake of consolidating it's vote bank.

Accusing former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah of making irresponsible statements regarding CAA, Raghu warned that the political parties opposing the Act may have to pay a big price in the future if they continued to oppose the Act, which was very much in national interest.

Asserting that the CAA does not trouble any citizen of the country, he challenged political leaders and parties to prove that the Act would trouble any citizen.

Noting that the political parties opposing the Act seems to have not learnt any lesson from their electoral defeat, he warned that the people of the country would teach a lesson to the Congress and other parties for unnecessarily raising a hue and cry over the CAA.

Recalling Poet Laureate Kuvempu's message of peace and harmony, Raghu argued that the tricks being played by political parties and disruptive forces would not work here as the people of the State always stand for peace and harmony.

He also warned that anti-social elements who are out to disturb peace and harmony in the country would be taught a befitting lesson, if they continued with their treacherous acts, the release said.

Appointed as UoM Evening College In-charge Principal

Mysuru, Dec.22 (US)- **Dr. R.N. Dinesh** has been appointed as the In-charge Principal of the Evening College of University of Mysore who assumed charge yesterday. The post fell vacant owing to the demise of the previous In-charge Principal Dr. S. Anjaneya.

Obituary

Ammanakuttanda Polly Somaiah

Mysuru, Dec.22- Ammanakuttanda Polly Somaiah (93), a senior member of Kodava Samaja and a resident of Kapila Marga in Siddarthanagar, passed away last evening in city.

She leaves behind two daughters. Last rites were performed this afternoon at the foot of Chamundi Hill here.

Tumbera Gangavva

Tumbera Gangavva (80), a resident of Rajarajeshwari Nagar, passed away yesterday. A native of Nelaji village near Napoklu in Kodagu, she leaves behind her daughter-in-law and grandchildren. Her son Muthanna, who was a Sub-Inspector, had passed away a few years ago.

Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill yesterday.

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Without Penal Fee	31.01.2020
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With Penal fee of Rs.400/-	29.02.2020

	MBA Programme	B.Ed Programme
Applications will be accepted from	16.12.2019	16.12.2019
Last Date for submitting the Applications	18.01.2020	18.01.2020
Common Entrance Test	19.01.2020	02.02.2020
Announcement of CET Result	23.01.2020	06.02.2020
Last Date for Admission	29.02.2020	29.02.2020

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Deputy CM flags off 'Walk Within-2019'

100 people from India and abroad to walk through 40 villages in 8 days

Mysuru, Dec. 22 (RKB&US)- 'Walk Within-2019', a unique walk of discovery, hope and inspiration organised by Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM) and Grassroots Research and Advocacy Movement (GRAAM) commenced this morning from the SVYM V-LEAD campus in Hebbal here.

The eight-day walk will cover about 40 villages in the district covering a distance of 114 km with a theme 'Experience Bharat, Explore Yourself.' The walk is an attempt to mindfully unlock our inner potential for the greater good of the society.

The walk was flagged off by Deputy Chief Minister Dr. C. N. Ashwathnarayan and Ramakrishna Ashram President Sri Muktidanandaji.

About 100 people from Karnataka, Maharashtra, Telengana, Andhra Pradesh, Kerala, Delhi and USA are participating in the event.

Speaking on the occasion, Ashwathnarayan opined that the 'Walk Within' is an innovative attempt for rural contact to understand the socio-economic problems faced by people in villages. He pointed out that the event would given an opportunity for the participants to interest with the rural youth on contemporary issues.

Sri Muktidanandaji said that the walk would help the participants to have a reality check of issues in rural areas. He sought similar events throughout the country.

SVYM and GRAAM Founder Dr. R. Balasubramaniam briefed the participants about the event.

N.R. Foundation Chairman R. Guru was the guest of honour. SVYM CEO Dr. G. S. Kumar, V-Lead Director V. Ramesh and others were present.

Speaking to press persons later Ashwathnarayan opined that the protests on Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) were unwarranted as people have misconstrued the features of CAA. He clarified that CAA was hinted in the BJP manifesto before the Lok Sabha polls. He regretted that a few vested interests had misled people who resorted to violence. Referring to the proposed Cabinet expansion, he said that the final decision was always left to the Chief Minister and the BJP High Command. Regarding the prevention of former Chief Minister Siddharamaiah to enter Mangaluru, he said that the decision was in the context of the prevalent situation and added that the Chief Minister and Home Minister were already in Mangaluru to take stock of the situation.

Campaign in support of Citizenship Act held in city

City Police impose restrictions to prevent rallies, protests today

Mysuru, Dec. 22 (MTY&KS)- Members of various organisations numbering nearly 500 held a campaign in support of Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) at Oval Grounds near Deputy Commissioner's Office after they were denied permission for a peace rally this morning.

The City Police have imposed Prohibitory Orders under Section 35 of the Karnataka Police Act, preventing any type of rallies and protests today from 6 am to midnight around one kilometre radius of Hardinge Circle, Ashoka Road, Sayyaji Rao Road, Harsha Road, Albert Victor Road, Clock Tower Circle, Devaraj Urs Road, Gandhi Square and Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple.

As the Prohibitory Orders was in place, the campaigners, who were to assemble near Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple and take out a peace march up to the Office of the Deputy Commissioner by passing through the main thoroughfares of city, assembled at the Oval Grounds, where they held the campaign.

During the campaign, led by MLA S.A. Ramdas, BJP National Council Member B.P. Manjunath, former MLC Thontadarya, former Mayor Sandesh Swamy and others, the campaigners shouted slogans in support of CAA and demanded action and punishment against those involved in anti-CAA protests.

MLA Ramdas said that the CAA was not a new Act as it was implemented earlier — first in 1947 and again when Dr. Manmohan Singh was the Prime Minister. A few miscreants were misleading the people, when the fact it the Act provides security to all religions including minority communities, he added.

Ramdas further said that the campaigners would meet all minority community religious leaders and youth from today and create awareness about what actually the Citizenship Amendment Act is all about.

Staff of aided Institutions threaten to stage protest on Jan.10

Mysuru, Dec.22 (RKB&DM)- The Karnataka State Aided Educational Institutions Pension Deprived Staff Members Association has warned of staging a massive demonstration in Bengaluru on Jan.10, if it's demand for pension is not met.

Addressing a press meet here on Friday, Association District President Dr. Sharath Kumar said that a memorandum will be submitted to the Deputy Commissioners of all districts seeking pension to the staff of aided educational institutions, during which a deadline will be set.

Highlighting the plight of employees of aided institutions who are not covered by pension, Dr. Sharath Kumar claimed that Governments in other states does not discriminate between government employees and employees of aided educational institutions.

The Karnataka Government too should follow this model and grant pension to aided institutions employees, he urged.

He further said that the Association will hold a massive demonstration at Freedom Park in Bengaluru on Jan.10, if the State Government ignores their plea for pension.

Newly-elected Legislators take oath

Bengaluru, Dec. 22 (UNI)- Thirteen of 15 newly-elected members of the Karnataka Assembly took oath as the members of the house here this morning. Karnataka Assembly Speaker Vishveshwar Hegde Kageri administered them the oath.

Two Congress members — H.P. Manjunath and Rizwan Arshad — who also got elected to the Assembly recently in the by-elections, remained absent while 12 BJP MLAs and one independent took oath.

The members who were administered oath as MLAs are S.T. Somasekhar, Bhyrathi Basavaraj, K. Gopalaiah, Ramesh Jarkiholi, Mahesh Kumthalli, Shrimant Patil, Anand Singh, Dr. K. Sudhakar, Narayana Gowda, Shivaram Hebbar, B.C. Patil, Arun Kumar (all from BJP) and Sharath Bachchegowda (Ind).

Among the fifteen sitting members, who were disqualified by the Speaker, earlier, as many as 11 were re-elected to the Karnataka Assembly while former ministers MTB Nagaraj and H. Vishwanath tasted defeat in the by-polls held on Dec. 5.

With the inclusion of 12 members in their fold, the strength of the ruling BJP in the House has risen to 117 and thus they have attained majority in 224-member Karnataka Assembly.

'Education essential to solve problems in society'

67th Annual Day celebration at Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala

Mysuru, Dec.22 (YDS&US)- The 67th Annual Day Celebrations of Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala was held yesterday at its premises in Yadavagiri here.

Speaking as the Chief Guest, Bar Association of India Vice-President S.S. Naganand opined that education was essential to solve problems in society. He pointed out that specially-abled people can be brought to the main stream of society only through education and appreciated the ambience of the Vidyashala. He said that a society with truth, love and non-violence should be evolved and added that achievement would wipe out the debility in a person.

Dexterity Global Founder and CEO Sharad Sagar asked students to take part in extra-curricular activities for an overall development.

He pointed out that leadership skill is essential in the present context which would add credit to a personality.

The winners of the Sri Shambhavanandaji Memorial Inter-High School General knowledge contest are as follows.

10th Standard: 1. S. Dhyan (Sadvidya High School), 2. Y.S. Poorvik Gowda (JSS Public School) and 3. Prajwal (Sadvidya High School).

Special Prize: 1. K.B. Lahari (Marimallappa High School), 2. Y. Sohan Kumar (St. Joseph's Central School), 3. U. Suhas (Sadvidya High School), 4. P.N. Disha (Sadvidya High School) and 5. N. Sujith Sohan (BVB).

9th Standard: 1. Rohit S. Murthy (Acharya Vidyakula), 2. G. Suvarna (Sadvidya High School) and 3. Vaishnav Kiran (Vijaya Vittala School)

Special prize: 1. Hrithwik S. Prasad (BVB), 2. Srinidhi B. Iyer (Sadvidya High School) 3. K.S. Anirudh (St. Joseph's Central School), 4. R.B. Sanjiv (Savidya High School) and 5. Ridwa Rai (St. Joseph's Central School).

Institutions: 1. Sadvidya High School, 2. Marimallappa High School, 3. Excel Public School, 4. St. Joseph's Central School, 5. BVB. Overall championship was bagged by Sadvidya High School.

Gold Medal: M.N. Vihan (SSLC) and C. Gautham (2nd PUC) were given Gold Medal for performing well in all contests.

Punith T. Ghanti was presented with a Gold Medal for best behaviour.

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama President Sri Muktidanandaji, Vidyashala Head Sri Yuktheshanandaji, Principal Balaji and others were present.

TIME features PM Modi as one of six important influencers of the world

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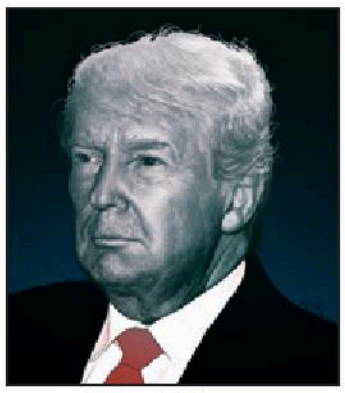
President of China



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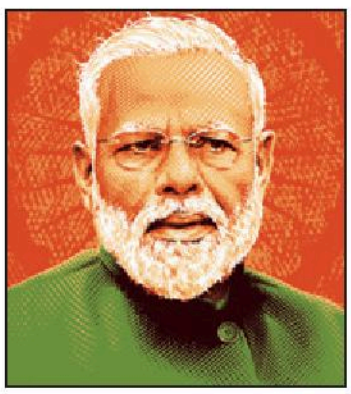

Narendra Modi
Prime Minister of India

Jacinda Ardern
Prime Minister of New Zealand

Emmanuel Macron
President of France

New York, Dec. 22- As part of its 2019 Person of the Year package, *TIME* magazine of America has featured Prime Minister Narendra Modi among the six important influencers of the world.

"Through policies and power, leaders from New Zealand, France, India, China and the U.S. influenced the world more than any others in 2019," says the magazine in the section titled *"Portraits of Influence"*.

The six leaders who have been featured are Xi Jinping, President of China, Donald Trump, President of the United States, Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India, Jacinda Ardern, Prime Minister of New Zealand and Emmanuel Macron, President of France.

Man arrested for cheating women

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They exchanged the jewellery and went up the hill. Vineeth Raj then told the woman that they can take back their respective jewellery once they return from the Hill Temple. After having a darshan, they went to a silk shop in Nazarbad that had a hotel on the fifth floor and ordered coffee. The woman told him that she would go to the rest room. The woman realised that she was conned as the man had fled their table. Later, when she checked the gold chain with the jeweller, she found out that it was fake.

Two more women cheated

The widow then lodged a complaint with Krishnaraja Police Station and handed his phone number, description and the model of the car. Based on Call Detail Records, the Police traced the conman's movements and obtained CCTV footages from the hotel. Obtaining his car's registration number, the Police arrested him from Coimbatore.

Investigations have revealed that he has cheated two more women whom he met through matrimonial sites by promising them to marry. One of the women is from Vidyaranyapuram in Mysuru and the other is from Indiranagar in Bengaluru. He had used similar tactics to rob the women of their valuables.

Lalitadripura revenue site residents express concern over MUDA notice

Mysuru, Dec.22 (MTY&DM)- Lalitadripura revenue site residents have expressed concern over MUDA's move to demolish their houses.

Addressing a press meet here yesterday, Uttanahalli Mayanna, a resident, claimed that they have been living in houses built on revenue sites at Lalitadripura since 25 years.

Stating that 140 families have been living in the area after getting Khata from Alanahalli Gram Panchayat, he said all the residents were paying House Tax to the Panchayat. But now, Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) has issued a notice asking them to vacant the land, saying that the MUDA has acquired the land. The MUDA has also warned of demolishing the houses if they failed to vacate, which is not correct, Mayanna said.

He urged the authorities not to disturb them and allow them to reside in their houses which they have built 25 years ago.

Remove illegal number plates

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Under provisions of the Central Motor Vehicles Act, using fancy number plates is a punishable offence, requiring payment of fine. Vendors of car number plates have also been asked not to make such license boards.

RTO officials in Mysuru told *Star of Mysore* that the notification has reached the RTO East and West yesterday and they would step up the drive to remove illegal number plates from vehicles.

Police too have stated that apart from the usual traffic-related offences such as drunken driving or rash driving, people using fancy number plates have also been a constant headache for them.

"We usually spot vehicles that read 'Founder President, National Human Rights, Anti-Corruption Wing' printed on some registration plates. Also, the number plates are altered for the numbers to look like words. For example, 8055 is altered as BOSS. Some registration numbers like 007 will have a gun next to it. This is in gross violation of the rules," officials said.

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Words cannot express our feelings of losing you. We remember you each moment with utmost respect and love in our hearts. Time can never erase your presence in our lives.

Shri. HR. SRINIVAS
Remembered by: family members

Where everything is on track

Refurbished Mysuru Rail Museum likely to reopen on Dec. 30

By Rajkumar Bhavasar

The rhythm of steam locomotive conjuring up images of belching smoke and shifting tracks will come alive at the Mysuru Rail Museum, which is being renovated and refurbished.

Mysuru has always enchanted tourists and visitors with its magnificent Palaces, beautiful gardens and rich cultural heritage. Mysore Palace, Sri Chamarajendra Zoological Gardens and St. Philomena's Cathedral are some of the major tourist attractions here.

The Railway Museum of Mysuru is an interesting place to know about the spectacular journey of Railways in India spanning a period of more than 150 years. Located on KRS Road, opposite CFTRI Main Gate, the museum has a fascinating collection of several ancient steam locomotives and carriages.

Only the second of its kind

In an effort to undertake development work and upgrade the facilities, the museum was closed in March this year. Now, after getting facelift, the iconic museum is all set to open its doors for visitors from Dec. 30. What makes the museum distinct is that it is only the second of its kind, after the National Railway Museum in New Delhi.

The museum is now equipped with an attractive entrance portico as well as completely refurbished locomotives, carriages and wagons along with other rare and interesting exhibits. There is even a battery-operated toy train for children.

New amenities such as audio-visual media centre, playground for kids, cafeteria and toilets are all available now at the museum premises. Almost 90 percent of the work is complete and remaining work is under progress on a fast track mode.

Rare glimpse into a bygone era

Established in 1979 by the Indian Railways, the museum is preserving and presenting a slice of the history of Indian Railways and its journey. A rare collection of royal carriages belonging to the erstwhile Mysore rulers, the Wadiyar Kings, is one of the high points of the museum and offers an idea about the grand nature in which the royalty of our country travelled those days.

Steam-operated crane

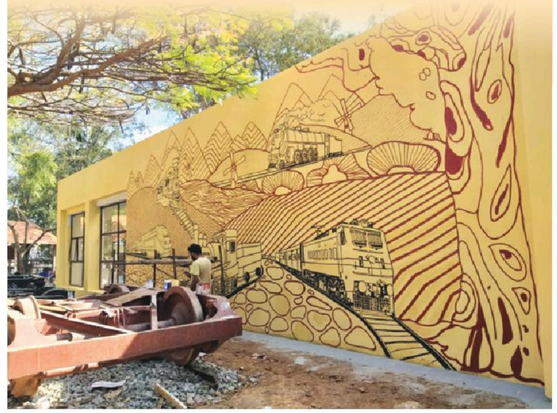
Heritage furniture from different divisions has been procured and they are being repaired for display at the museum. A steam-operated crane, narrow gauge coaches, rail bus wagons, wooden metre gauge vintage wagon are some of the other attractions.

An old model of steam locomotive as well as diesel and electric engines, tank engine, Saloon Carriage of Mysore Maharani, telecom equipment, locomotive boiler, steam pump, double-wire case plates which were in use in 1910-1920s, narrow-gauge coach of 1927, an old steam engine built by TISCO, inner view of steam engine, etc. will be on display.

Maharani's Saloon

The Maharani's Saloon was built in 1899. It has a royal bedroom, an attached bathroom and an exclusive kitchen-cum-dining unit. Its delicate ceiling is replete with chandeliers and fans. This unit provides us a glimpse of the luxury and grandeur of the royalty.

It houses a rich collection of paintings and photographs tracing the development of Indian Railways in various stages — past, present and future. Another significant place in the museum is the Sriranga Pavilion, the entrance of which is designed using ornate rosewood pillars. It houses numerous Railway artefacts like a model rail bridge, a working steam locomotive prototype, Railway gear and furniture, and several other objects.



Riding on the rails of history

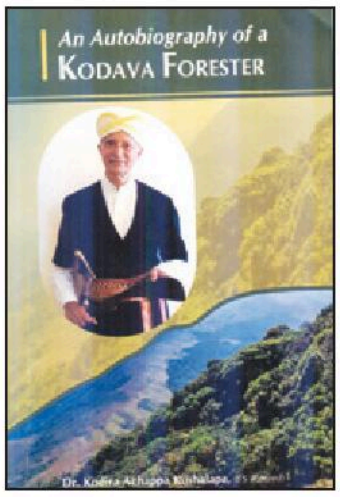
Some of the steam locomotives, both narrow gauge and metre gauge, pre-dates Indian independence. The NG North Western Railway (NWR) Engine Loco No-119E is one such exhibit. Built in the year 1900 by WG Bagnall and Co., it is the oldest exhibit in the museum and it used wood as fuel instead of coal. Another engine found here is the MG Steam Engine Loco — YP2511 that was built in 1963. It is one of the last steam locos used in the 20th century before it was decommissioned in 1993. It comprises a super-heated boiler and can work at a maximum speed of 75 kmph.

Divisional Railway Manager of South Western Railway **Aparna Garg** said, "The exhibits of colonial, pre-independence and post-independence eras will be displayed in a systematic fashion. These age-old Railway engines and bogies are getting a new look with painting and repairs. We are making all efforts to open the museum for visitors by Dec. 30."

The museum also comprises a hand-operated steam water pump developed in 1932 by Merryweather in London. It worked on the steam generated by a copper boiler and was used in the fire service and pumping water for irrigation purposes. Other interesting exhibits include the MG Hand Crane built in the year 1885, and a battery-operated mini toy train.

Booktalk

A father figure of forest's flora and fauna



In the film of 90 minutes duration, titled *"Beautiful people: Some call them animals,"* a comic allegory produced in 1974, focussing on various animals that live in arid desert environment of Africa by Jamie Uys, humorously draws parallels between animal and human behaviour. Dr. K.A. Kushalapa can vouch for the message in the film that the denizens of the forest are indeed *beautiful* people in a wide sense of the term, having shouldered the arduous duties of conserving India's forests, steadily shrinking as a percentage of the total geographical area of the country. His empathy for the denizens and concern for enduring the flora have not witnessed even an iota of diminishing to this day despite retiring from an illustrious service for long years as a professional forester. Circle for Mysuru's intelligentsia and senior citizens who have known him can testify to the vast knowledge of the author about A to Z of forest and its importance of vital role in sustaining the balance between human beings and other species on earth.

Title	:	An Autobiography of a Kodava Forester
Author	:	Dr. Kodira Achappa Kushalapa, IFS (Retd.)
Pages	:	228
Price	:	Rs. 200
Year	:	2019
Publisher	:	Dr. K.A. Kushalapa, Mysuru.

The narrative divided into 16 chapters, each with a caption indicative of specific aspects of the author's early life and landmark events relating to his professional career culminating in his elevation to the highest post in the Department of Forest in the State Government.

Writing about Dr. Kushalapa, in his foreword, Mandepanda K. Appayya, former Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Government of Karnataka, has expressed his admiration of the author's noble qualities of head and heart, that earned him respect, recognition and rewards by his achievements both academic and professional.

The events of the author's childhood and in later stages presented in all humility and graphic details trigger in the minds of readers what a person can achieve by being stoic and steadfast along with the support of family members, as revealed by the author himself in his preface. The trials and tribulations that he has encountered at different periods of life but overcome with courage and hope sound poignant. His life's saga belies the myth of Kodavas as a community of only planters and warriors, by emerging as a star among them in the world of academics also. The 128 published papers listed in the book's Chapter 14, 10 abstracts of technical papers and 10 titles of social articles listed in Chapter 15 give the readers an insight into Dr. Kushalapa's deep interest in enlightening the lay people dispelling their utter lack of knowledge about forests.

Dr. Kushalapa has thoughtfully included 69 photographs, many in colour, with images of his family members as well as people who were his colleagues, showing him as an impeccable handsome person. If his dream of generating in Kodava youth the desire to spread out into various areas of challenge by pursuing professions outside the ambit of restricted areas for which Kodavas are known, is fulfilled, the author's autobiography gets full worth of the work of writing and publishing. The proceeds of the sale of the publication is meant to be utilised for philanthropic cause. **—BRS**

Colourful Annual Day Fete

SHARADA VIDYA MANDIR, SRI JAYACHAMARAJENDRA PU COLLEGE: Sharadotsava, the Annual Day celebrations was held on Dec.6 at Kalamandira.

K.S. Bharathkumar, III Additional District and Sessions Judge, Mysuru, was the chief guest. In his address, he gave a call to the students to set their goals in their student days and work towards reaching their goal through hard work and dedication.

He also advised the parents to give their personal time to their children and encourage them to become good citizens. He also feted the prize winners.

N. Sachidananda Murthy, Chairman, R. Anand, Secretary, S.T. Thimmaraju, Academic Director, Jayashree S. Murthy, Trustee, B.N. Sunil Dayakar, Principal, staff and parents were present. Students entertained the audience through dance-drama on family and relationships, women empowerment, National Integration, *Dollu Kunita* and Instrumental Music.

ST. JOSEPH'S INSTITUTION, RAJIVNAGAR: Annual Day was celebrated at the School campus on Dec.7. Dr. K. Javeed Nayeem was the chief guest.

Bishop of Mysuru Most Rev. Dr. K.A. William presided. Students performed on the theme 'Spectrum Of Life' and conveyed meaningful message through dances and drama. Rev. Father Vijay Kumar, Secretary, MDES, welcomed the gathering.

The Bishop, in his message, advised parents to watch on the behaviour pattern of children and to be very observant, so that corrections may be given at the right time. The chief guest also advised the students to act responsibly at all situations.

Rev. Msgr. C. Rayappa, Rev. Fr. James Dominic, Rev. Fr. Bernard Prakash, Priest in-Charge Rev. Fr. Prasad, CEO Joyce Lobo, Principal Dr. Sudhakar James, Head Mistress Josephine Mrizula, CEOs and Priests in-Charge of MDES Schools were present.

ST. THOMAS INSTITUTIONS, VISHWESHWARANAGAR: The Institution celebrated its 56th Annual Day (Osmosis) on Dec.16 at Kalamandira. The event was presided over by Hon. Manager Rev. Fr. Prakash Abraham. DDPI Dr. Panduranga was the chief guest.

The guests of honour were Shivakumar, BEO, Mysuru South and Dr. B.V. Arun Kumar, Alumnus of St. Thomas. Sam Cherian, Hon. Secretary of MES, Ebby Eapen, Hon. Treasurer of MES, were present.

The event started off with a prayer dance. The Principal

read the institution's annual report. Prizes were given away to the toppers and other students who had brought laurels to the school in various competitions.

Students presented mesmerising cultural events such as dances, drama, songs etc.

Ranji Trophy in Mysuru

Mayank Agarwal back in Karnataka squad

SDNR Wadiyar Platinum Jubilee University Grounds

Mayank Agarwal

Bengaluru, Dec. 22- Mayank Agarwal has returned to the Karnataka side for its third Ranji Trophy fixture of the season against Himachal Pradesh to be played at the SDNR Wadiyar Platinum Jubilee University Grounds, Mysuru, from Dec.25 to 28.

Karnataka will miss the services of K. Gowtham, who hasn't recovered sufficiently from a hairline fracture on his foot that had kept him out of the last match.

Regular skipper Manish Pandey, part of India's limited-over-sides, has been given a break, while rookie paceman K.S. Devaiah has replaced all-rounder David Mathias. The team will be led by Karun Nair.

THE TEAM

Karun Nair (Captain), Rohan Kadam, Devdutt Padikkal, D. Nischal, R. Samarth, Mayank Agarwal, Pravin Dubey, Shreyas Gopal, J. Suchith, B.R. Sharath, Sharath Srinivas, Ronit More, K.S. Devaiah, V. Koushik and A. Mithun.

U-19 Cooch Behar Trophy

R. Smaran to lead team Karnataka

R. Smaran

Bengaluru, Dec.22- R. Smaran will lead Karnataka Under-19 team in the Cooch Behar Trophy match against Jharkhand to be played at Hubballi from Dec.27 to 30. Mysuru Zone boys, Kruthik Krishna, K. Lankesh, K. Gaurav and L.R. Kumar are in the squad.

The Team

R. Smaran (Captain), Lochan S. Gowda, Aquib Jawad, A. Rohan Patil, K.V. Aneesh, A.C. Rohit Kumar, K. Lankesh, Kruthik Krishna, Paras Gurbax Arya, Chirag Nayak, K. Sashi Kumar, Taha Khan, N. Chinmay, K. Gaurav and L.R. Kumar.

Runners-up in VTU Mysuru Zone Basketball Championships

The men's Basketball team of National Institute of Engineering (NIE) emerged runners-up in the VTU Inter-Collegiate Mysuru Zone Championships organised by NIE Institute of Technology (NIE-IT), Mysuru, at NIE Diamond Jubilee Indoor Sports Complex and JSS S&T University, Mysuru, at SJCE Basketball Court recently. Seen are (sitting from left) ***A.R. Nikhil, Vice-Captain Saahil Alva, NIE Sports Committee Chairperson Dr. K. Pushpalatha, Principal Dr. G. Ravi, PE Director H.N. Shankaranarayana, Coach Prasad, Captain Chandrashekhar S. Shastry;*** *(standing from left)* ***K. Guruprakash, A. Sagar Srinivas, K.P. Hemanth, Nithin Sharma, K. Bhuvan, Ashutosh Aryan, Omkara Yogaraj, Harsh Babal, H.P. Madan, Siddesh Maradi and Bharath J. Nadig.***

Homemakers' walkathon held

Mysuru, Dec. 22- Deepa Recreation Club of Roopanagar had organised Homemakers' Walkathon this morning for ladies from Roopanagar and surrounding areas. The event saw good participation by the womenfolk who assembled in good numbers.

Five winners in each category of 30 to 50 age group and 50 years and above were given prizes for having completed a 2.5 km track marked along the lanes of Roopanagar.

The Walkathon was flagged off by senior journalist Preethi Nagaraj. The event was sponsored by Sachin Poojary.

Balakrishna, Deepak Suvarna, Ajayakumar, Club President S.M. Jayaprakash, B.D. Subbaiah, Sairam, Sponsor Sachin Poojari, Sadasiva Poojary and Jagath Kumar were present.

103rd All India Ladies Amateur Golf

Mysuru's Vidhatri Urs finishes runner-up

Mumbai, Dec.22- Vidhatri K. Urs (JWGC) of Mysuru finished runner-up tied with Ivana Shah with a two-day aggregate score of 146 (75+71) in the two-day Strokeplay segment of the 103rd All-India Ladies Amateur Golf Championship for the Biloo Sethi Trophy at the Bombay Presidency Golf Club recently.

Kriti Chowhan with a two-day aggregate score of 145 (73+72) clinched the title.

In the Match-play event, Sneha Singh beat Vidhatri Urs 1-up in the quarter-finals.

Chess: GM Thejkumar held to a draw

Bengaluru, Dec.22- Top-seed Grand Master M.S. Thejkumar from Mysuru, taking part in the 13th BRDCA International Open FIDE Rated Chess Tournament at Bengaluru, was held to a draw by Y. Sethumadhav in the fourth round of the Tournament played on Saturday.

IMPORTANT RESULTS

Fourth round: Sethumadhav (3.5) drew with M.S. Thejkumar (3.5), Chakravarthi Reddy (4) bt V. Subramaniam (3), Vishnu Menon (3) lost to N. Lokesh (4), S. Prasanna (4) bt Avinash Vaidyanathan (3), T. Pranay Vijay (3) lost to Hrishikesh (4), Ashwin Sriram (3) lost to P. Phoobalan (4), Ravi Hegde (4) bt T. Virothi (3), K. Ganeshan (3) lost to K. Gunasekaran (4), Ramachandra Bhat (3.5) drew with Venkata Krishna Karthik (3.5).

SPORTS EVENTS

BASKETBALL

20th ProTec Cup 2019 Basketball Tournament

21.12.2019 to 24.12.19	For Middle School, High School and PU (both boys & girls) and a Tournament for U-13 (both boys & girls) at new University Basketball Courts.

CRICKET

Ranji Trophy 2019-20

25.12.19 to 28.12.19	Karnataka Vs Himachal Pradesh at SDNR Wadiyar Grounds.

SPORTS QUIZ

1. The term 'Off side' is used in which sport?
2. Where is the third and final ODI played between India and WI today?
3. Who will be leading the Kings XI Punjab team in the forthcoming IPL?
4. The 'Aga Khan Cup' is associated with which sport?
5. What does the term SAFG stands for?

1. Football 2. Barabati Stadium, Cuttack 3. K.L. Rahul 4. Hockey 5. South Asian Federation Games

Ayushman Bharat Health Cards distributed in city

Mysuru, Dec.22 (RK&US)- The Department of Health and Family Welfare, Department of Medical Education and District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) had jointly organised a programme at Platinum Jubilee Hall at JK Grounds here yesterday morning to distribute Ayushman Bharat - Arogya Karnataka Health Cards to beneficiaries.

Fifteen counters were set up at the auditorium where people had queued up to get the cards on submission of ration card and Aadhar Card. Registration for the card can also be done at all Government Hospitals, Primary Health Centres, Karnataka One Centres and Atalji Centres.

Speaking on the occasion, Principal District and Sessions Judge S.K. Vontigodi contended that poverty should not come in the way of health and opined that the Health Card is a good scheme to all people with no discrimination. He asked people to be well aware of the benefits of the scheme. DLSA Member-Secretary B.P. Devamane said that along with the Health Card, DLSA was offering free legal service to women, children, SC/ST and people affected by natural calamities.

ZP CEO K. Jyothi, MMC&RI Dean and Director Dr. P.C. Nanjaraj, K.R. Hospital Medical Superintendent Dr. B.L. Nanjundaswamy, Resident Medical Officer Dr. M.S. Rajesh Kumar and District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. K. Venkatesh were present.

Hospitals for treatment

Health Card holders can avail free treatment at K.R. Hospital, Cheluvamba Hospital, PKTB Hospital, Government Ayurveda Hospital, Primary and Community Health Centres, Maternity Hospitals and Taluk General Hospitals.

If treatment is not available at the above hospitals, on doctor's reference the treatment can be availed at Apollo BGS Hospital, Bhanavi Hospital, Bharat Cancer Hospital, Brindavan Hospital Cauvery Hospital, CSI Holdsworth Memorial Hospital, DRM Hospital, JSS Hospital, Krishna Hospital, Nagarajegowda Memorial Hospital, Nandana Eye Hospital, Nanjamma Javaregowda Hospital, Narayana Hrudayalaya, Shubodaya Hospital, Sigma Hospital, St. Joseph's Hospital, Supriya Hospital, Suyog Hospital, Radiant Hospital and Vidyaranya Hospital according to Ayushman Bharat -Arogya Karnataka scheme Nodal Officer Dr.M.S. Manju Prasad.

Places to get Health card

The Health Card can be obtained from the following places by any person on production of Aadhaar Card and Ration Card.

K.R. Hospital, Cheluvamba Hospital, PKTB Hospital, Community Health Centres, Taluk Hospitals, Registered Seva Sindhu Centres and KarnatakaOne Centres. The plastic card is priced at Rs. 35 and Rs. 10 for paper format. From Jan.1, 2020 the cards will be distributed at all Bapuji Seva Kendras. It will soon be made available at 255 wards in 266 Gram Panchayat limits. The card is valid for treatment of 1,650 types of ailments including heart attack, stroke, accidents and cancer.

PM Modi addresses mega poll rally at Ramlila Maidan in Delhi

Modi begins speech with a call for 'Unity in Diversity'

Unprecedented security deployed at venue

New Delhi, Dec. 22- Prime Minister Narendra Modi is addressing a rally this morning at the large Ramlila Maidan, a little over a kilometre from Old Delhi's Daryaganj that was hit by violence during a protest against the amended Citizenship Act. An elaborate security arrangement has been made for the rally.

PM Narendra Modi

According to a senior police official, 20 companies of outside force will be deployed. Each company has 70-80 personnel. "Twenty DCP-rank officials will be there. As many as 1,000 personnel from local police, anti-drone teams and NSG commandos will be there. The entire area around the venue will be sanitised," the official said.

Area sanitisation means movement of locals will be restricted, shops will be closed and security personnel will be deployed. Traffic police personnel will be deployed along the route to be taken by the Prime Minister, the official said.

Sources said senior officials remained in a huddle till early morning on Saturday to discuss the security. In the meeting, it was decided that social media should be monitored to stop rumour-mongering, especially in the wake of ongoing protests against the contentious citizenship legislation.

Checking of vehicles has been stepped up near border areas of Delhi to ensure "unscrupulous" elements do not enter the national capital, the sources said.

A multi-level security arrangement will be in place, with CCTV surveillance of all the routes leading to the venue and snipers being positioned atop buildings to ensure security, they said. Delhi Police is in close touch with SPG and Bharatiya Janata Party for security arrangements during the rally. The Delhi BJP has also deployed volunteers as part of its security arrangements for the rally.

Beginning his speech, PM Modi raised slogan of 'vividhta me ekta, Bharat ki visheshta' (Unity in diversity is India's speciality). There are 1.25 lakh people in attendance for PM's address. "I am happy that the BJP and the government have had the opportunity of bringing a new dawn in the lives of 40 lakh people (in authorized colonies) of Delhi," he said.

"Even after several decades after Independence, a large section of population in Delhi had to face fear, uncertainty, deceit and false electoral promises. Illegal, sealing, bulldozer & a cut-off date - life of a large population in Delhi' was confined around these words. I, BJP got chance to usher in a new dawn for over 40 lakh people by giving them ownership rights to their houses," he added.

Declining values has led to social deterioration, says former Lokayukta

Santosh Hegde

Mysuru, Dec.22- Expressing concern over declining values, former Lokayukta Justice Santosh Hegde opined that the changing parameters about contentment in life and erosion of human values has led to deterioration of the society.

He was speaking at the special lecture and interaction programme organised at JSS Residential School at Suttur in Nanjangud taluk on Friday.

Pointing out that 'Jeep' scandal that came to light in 1950 was of the magnitude of Rs. 51,000 then, Hegde said that the recent Coal and Spectrum scams is worth Rs.1.76 lakh crores, which magnitude itself speak volumes about the enormity of corruption in the country.

Quoting a former Prime Minister who had once said that only 15 paise in a rupee reached the targeted beneficiaries, Hegde observed that the Executive and the Legislature had become cesspools of corruption. Regretting that the credentials of the media, which is considered as the fourth pillar of Democracy too is under question now, Hegde underlined the role of the media in fighting societal evils. Stressing on the need for imparting moral education, he called upon the students to imbibe human values and be content in life.

Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji in his address, stressed on the need for everyone to introspect themselves. Noting that everyone should contribute for rooting out corruption in the country, he said that all should join hands in working for the betterment of the society in terms of values, ideals and principles.

University of Mysore Vice-Chancellor Prof.G. Hemantha Kumar presided. School Administrative Officer S.P. Udayshankar, JSS Krishi Vignana Kendra head Dr. Arun Balamatti and others were present.

Match box please! Three teen dacoits arrested; two minors sent to juvenile home

Mysuru, Dec.22 (SBD&DM)- Match box please! Beware if anyone asks you this. As you might be the target of dacoits. The Nanjangud Police have arrested a gang that used to rob people by asking for a match box. The moment the request for match box is placed and when the person obliges, the gang was robbing him the next moment. They are now cooling their heels as Nanjangud Police have arrested the gang that includes two juvenile offenders.

By arresting them, the Nanjangud Police have cracked many cases of dacoity committed in Nanjangud and other areas.

Addressing a press meet at his office yesterday, Superintendent of Police C.B. Ryshyanth gave the names of the arrested as Varuna, 19, a resident of Zero Cross in Nanjangud town, Syed Ayaz, 19, a resident of Gowthama Road, Neelakantanagar and Jayanth, 19, a resident of R.P. Road in Nanjangud town, while two others are minors who have now been remanded to Balamandira.

The Police have recovered 10 mobile phones, Rs.18,000 cash, two motorcycles and two knives used for committing crimes, the SP said.

Stating that Varuna and Syed were auto drivers and Jayanth is a PUC student while the two minors had discontinued education after SSLC, the SP said that the gang used to target lonely persons late in the night and mug them of their cash, jewellery and other expensive belongings at knife-point.

Explaining the *modus operandi* of the gang, Ryshyanth said that the gang used to lift two-wheelers parked in front of the houses late in the night using duplicate keys. While two members of the gang came in a stolen two-wheeler and approached lonely persons under the pretext of asking a match box, the three other members who came in another stolen motorcycle, would catch hold of the victim at knife-point and rob them of their belongings including cash, jewellery, mobile phones and other expensive articles.

The gang used to park the two-wheelers at the same spot from where they had stolen them before the break of dawn, without giving rise to any suspicion to the vehicle owners. Following many such dacoity cases were reported within a few days, the Police launched 'Operation Decoy' to nab the culprits.

The efforts of the Police finally succeeded with the arrest of the five, when they were plotting to commit dacoity in the wee hours of Saturday. With the arrest of the gang, the Nanjangud Police have cracked five cases of dacoity committed in Nanjangud limits.

The gang is also suspected to have committed similar crimes in Gundlupet, Santhemarahalli, Ring Road in Mysuru and other places and further investigation is on.

The SP announced a cash reward of Rs.30,000 to the team which arrested the gang.

House burgled in Raghavendranagar

Mysuru, Dec.22 (RK&KS)- Burglars, who gained entry into a locked house at Raghavendranagar, have decamped with gold ornaments, silver articles and a TV worth about Rs.24,000 from the house.

The burglary took place in the house of one Shilpashree. On Dec.19, Shilpashree had been to her sister's house and when she returned on Dec.20 morning, she found the lock of the front door broken and when she entered the house and inspected her belongings, she found the gold ornaments and silver articles kept in the almirah stolen and also the television. She immediately lodged a complaint at Nazarbad Police Station.

Nazarbad Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Six arrested for dacoity

Mysuru, Dec.22 (RK&DM)- In a major catch, the Mandi Police, who arrested six dacoits of the city, have recovered 117gm of gold jewellery and two vehicles, totally worth Rs.5.68 lakh from them.

The arrested have been identified as Manjunath alias Kareema, 23, resident of Mahadeshwara Layout in city, Manju, 50, of Kumbarakoppal, Sridhar, 35, a resident of K.R. Mohalla, Imran Pasha, 38, a resident of Bannur town, Narayan, 45, resident of Metagalli and Puttaraju, 45, a resident of Saraswathipuram.

Acting on a tip off, the Police took the six into custody when they were plotting to commit dacoity near Handihalla Circle located on the road leading from Highway Circle to Ideal Jawa factory on midnight of Dec.12.

During interrogation, they confessed to have mugged people in Bannur and Mysuru South Police Station limits and also lifted vehicles. Following the confession, the Police recovered 117 gm gold jewellery, a Bajaj Pulsar motorcycle and a Maruti Omni van, totally worth Rs.5,68,750 allegedly looted by them.

The nabbing and seizure operation was carried out by Mandi Inspector L. Arun, PSIs Shivakumar and Shabareesh, ASI Guruswamy and staff Jayapala, G.C. Rajendra, S. Jayakumar, Chandrashekar, Iliyas, Ravigowda, Hanumantha Kalleda and Shankar T. Bandivaddar, under the guidance of DCP B.T. Kavitha and NR ACP M. Shivashankar.

Wild elephant injures cow at Veeranahosahalli

Leopard kills two dogs, injures another at Kattemalalawadi

Hunsur, Dec.22 (Raghu&KS)- In separate incidents, a cow was injured after a wild tusker gored it at Veeranahosahalli and two dogs were killed and another dog was injured in a leopard attack at Kattemalalawadi in Hunsur taluk.

In the first incident, a cow has been seriously injured after an elephant gored it while it was grazing opposite the residential quarters of Forest staff at Veeranahosahalli Gate in Hanagod hobli yesterday morning.

The cow belonged to Ningegowda of Veeranahosahalli in Hanagod hobli.

On Friday night, a herd of elephants had come out of the forest in search of food. While other elephants returned to the forest, a tusker remained back and while attempting to go into the National Park, it began to walk on the Veeranahosahalli Main Road at about 6 am. A few dogs, which noticed the tusker, began to bark and howl at it during which the tusker gored the cow which was nearby.

Hearing the loud sound made by the cow, villagers and Forest staff rushed to the spot and the Forest staff opened the back gate of the residential quarters and chased the tusker back to the forest.

Deputy Range Forest Officer (DRFO) Naveen Kumar and staff inspected the injured cow and summoned Veterinary Department Supervisor Jalendra, who treated the injured cow.

Range Forest Officer (RFO) Ravindra has assured of providing Rs.10,000 towards the treatment cost of the injured cow from the Forest Department.

In the second incident, a leopard has killed two dogs sleeping in front of a house and has injured another dog at Kattemalalawadi village, Gawadagere hobli in Hunsur taluk.

Mahadev of the village had tied the two dogs in front of his house and had been to the village, when the leopard attacked the adult male dog and killed it.

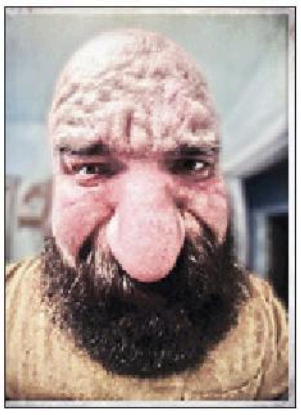
As it was unable to take the kill with it as the dog was tied, it attacked a puppy which was nearby and killed it.

The leopard then attacked a female dog during which the villagers rushed towards the place making loud noise resulting in the leopard fleeing from the spot.

The Forest Department staff, who rushed to the spot, conducted an inspection and assured the villagers of placing a cage to trap the leopard.

WORD OF THE DAY

Flibbertigibbet



Pronunciation: flib-er-tee-JIB-ut.
Meaning: A silly flighty person.
Origin: Flibbertigibbet is one of many incarnations of the Middle English word flepergebet, meaning "gossip" or "chatterer" (others include flybbergybe, flibber de' Jibb, and flipperty-gibbet). It is a word of onomatopoeic origin, created from sounds that were intended to represent meaningless chatter. William Shakespeare apparently saw a devilish aspect to a gossipy chatterer; he used flibbertigibbet in King Lear as the name of a devil. This use never caught on, but the devilish connotation of the word reappeared over 200 years later when Sir Walter Scott used Flibbertigibbet as the nickname of an impish urchin in the novel Kenilworth. The impish meaning derived from Scott's character was short-lived and was laid to rest by the 19th-century's end, leaving us with only the "silly flighty person" meaning.
Example: She plays a flibbertigibbet in the movie—a character completely at odds with her real-life reputation as a prolific writer and masterful actor and director.

THE ODD WORD

Fabulist

One who invents fables.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Fly off the handle

Meaning: This expression is used to indicate that someone has become irrationally angry due to a complete loss of self-control.
Origin: "Fly off the Handle" is an American phrase that alludes to the way that an axe head can fly off its handle if it becomes loose. The expression was first seen in print in 1834, in Thomas C. Haliburton's The Attaché; or, Sam Slick in England: "He flies right off the handle for nothing."
Example: 'Try not to make Sam mad. He has a tendency to fly off the handle at the slightest provocation.'

QUOTE BOX

Always take hold of things by the smooth handle. **—Thomas Jefferson**

RIDDLE THIS

What kind of room has no doors or windows?

Answer: A mushroom.

SUDOKU

	7	3	5		8			9
4	1	9	6			3		
			8					3
			9	1	4			
6					5			
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3			4		7	1	8	

Answer to previous puzzle

2	1	6	4	9	8	5	7	3
5	9	3	7	2	1	8	4	6
7	8	4	5	3	6	2	1	9
9	3	7	8	1	5	6	2	4
8	4	2	3	6	7	9	5	1
6	5	1	9	4	2	3	8	7
4	6	8	1	5	3	7	9	2
3	7	9	2	8	4	1	6	5
1	2	5	6	7	9	4	3	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Russian sea
5 Samoan Port
9 Actor Gibson
12 Indonesian island
13 Check of attendance (4-4)
15 Part of QED
16 Seized or grabbed
17 Annihilate
19 Associate of the Institute of Company Accountants
20 Cricket great Sir ____ Hutton
21 Goes to the press after editing, perhaps?
23 Equipped with weapons
26 Footlike organ
27 Old time classic movie Alam ___
28 European river
29 Alimentary canal
30 Graven image
31 Put on an ____ : carry out a pretense?
32 Center
33 Threefold - "inert" anagram?
34 Individual human being?
36 African tribe
37 Thug
38 Public disgrace
42 Paper for brides
44 English river
45 Haile ___ : Emperor of Ethiopia till 1977?
46 Maui guitars
47 Attempt or essay
48 Unit of pressure
49 Afternoon refreshers?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

A	B	A	■	B	U	L	B	■	S	H	O	E
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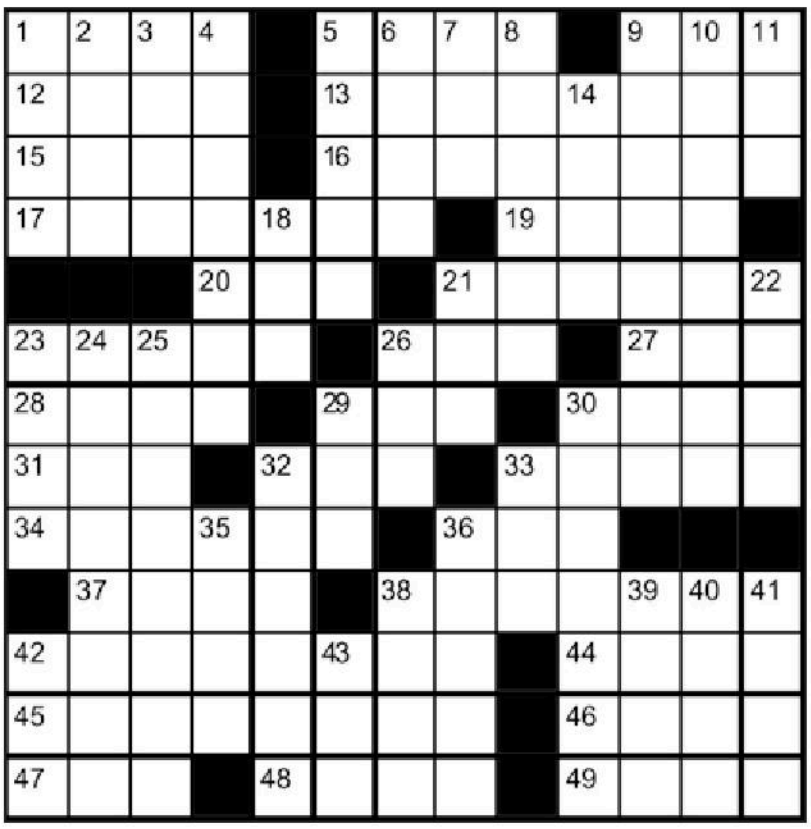
DOWN

1 _ __ of roses : a pleasant and luxurious existence? (1,3)
2 Very scarce
3 An exclamation of sorrow
4 More diminutive
5 Criminal fire-raising
6 Small horse
7 Playback singer Arun
8 Places for sacrifice
9 Major south Indian river?
10 Negative particle of atom
11 Doctor of Laws, degree
14 202 in Roman numerals
18 __ -blooded: virile or vigorous?
21 A favourite
22 An auction, perhaps
23 As soon as possible, acronym
24 Frequenter at Mahalaxmi or at Epsom? (4-4)
25 Like an elderly and kind married lady?
26 Tavern or inn
29 Explosive type of weapon
30 Remove wrinkles; smoothen (4,3)
32 Truthful
33 Not yet decided on a sched.
35 Divan or settee?
36 More chilly or colder
38 Prison (slang)
39 A member of English nobility
40 On the briny
41 More or __ the same : about the same?
42 Mumbai's terminus
43 Tech. Std. Order



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

K XPL'O WKIJ FLHYPXH EWP'V LPO YIKAWOJI OWFL K FS. KQ

OWJH'IJ LPO YIKAWOJI OWFL K FS, K XPL'O LJJX OWJS.

TODAY'S CLUE: X EQUALS D

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Eat before shopping. If you go to the store hungry, you are likely to make unnecessary purchases.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Dabangg - 3	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
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	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Kiss	Sangam	2520494	2 Shows
Mane Maratakkide	Lido	2420885	2 Shows
	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Sarvajanikarige Suvarnavakaasha			
	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
HINDI			
Dabangg - 3	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Thambi	Lido	2420885	2 Shows
	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
	Prabha	2423569	2 Shows
Hero	Sangam	2520494	2 Shows
	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Ruler	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
----	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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Jumanji: The Next Level (E-3D)	(S-1) 10.50 am, 4.20 pm
Dabangg -3 (K)	(S-1) 1.15 pm
Dabangg -3 (H)	(S-1) 6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-3) 9.55 am; (S-4) 4.05 pm
Odeya (K)	(S-2) 10.15 am, 6.50 pm
	(S-4) 1 pm
Sarvajanikarige Suvarnavakaasha (K)	
	(S-2) 1.30 pm
Prati Roju Pandaage (Te)	(S-2) 4.00 pm
Driving Licence (Ma)	(S-2) 10 pm
Ruler (Te)	(S-3) 1.00 pm
Hero (Ta)	(S-3) 4.00 pm
Thambi (Ta)	(S-3) 7.05 pm
Venky Mama (Te)	(S-3) 10 pm
Star Wars: Rise of Skywalker (E-3D)	(S-4) 10.15 am, 7.10 pm, 9.55 pm

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Dabangg - 3 (H)	(S-1) 12.25 pm
	(S-2) 9 am, 3 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.55 pm
Dabangg -3 (K)	(S-3) 3.55 pm
Star Wars: Rise of Skywalker (E-3D)	(S-1) 4 pm, 9.45 pm
	(S-4) 9.20 am
Jumanji: The Next Level (E-3D)	(S-1) 9.45 am, 7 pm
Odeya (K)	(S-3) 9.45 am
	(S-4) 3.20 pm, 9.55 pm
Sarvajanikarige...	(S-2) 12.20 pm
... Suvarnavakaasha (K)	(S-3) 7.15 pm
Prati Roju Pandaage (Te)	(S-3) 12.55 pm
Hero (Ta)	(S-3) 9.50 pm
Thambi (Ta)	(S-4) 6.50 pm
Ruler (Te)	(S-4) 12.15 pm

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Dabangg 3 (H)	8.30 am, 3.05 pm, 6.30, 10 pm
Dabangg 3 (K)	12.35 pm
Odeya (K)	9.05 am, 3.15 pm, 9.40 pm
Mardaani 2 (H)	9.40 am
Jumanji: The Next Level (E)	9.50 am, 7.10 pm
Prati Roju Pandaage (Te)	12.00 pm
Thambi (Ta)	12.05 pm
Pati Patni Aur Woh (H)	12.25 pm
Ruler (Te)	3.15 pm
Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker (E)	4.05 pm, 9.55 pm
Hero (Ta)	6.25 pm
Venky Mama (Te)	6.35 pm
Driving Licence (Ma)	9.50 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC. 22)

Sri Kalanikethana Art Gallery: 'Rekhakaara,' solo art expo by Manju R. Belavadi, Sri Kalanikethana Art Gallery, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **up to 6.30 pm.**

Human Wings Foundation: Christmas Carnival, cake exhibition with various cookies and donuts and Christmas-based delicacies, St. Philomena's Church, **up to 8 pm.**

Sahara Art and Crafts: Handicraft and Handloom Exhibition-cum-Sale, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Taralabalu Education Centre, Kuvempunagar: Pratibha Puraskar and Anniversary celebrations, Sri Taralabalu Jagadguru Vidyasamsthe-Sirigere Gen. Secretary Dr. S. Siddaiah will be present, Police Training School-Mysuru Principal Dr. Dharanidevi Malagatti and Taralabalu Education Centre - Local Advisory Committee President M.G. Sadanandaiah chief guests, Taralabalu PU College Principal S. Shivakumar presides, Kalamandira, **4 pm.**

Nrityalaya Trust - An Academy of Performing Arts: 'Nalavattara Nalivu - Nitya Nartana Parva,' Cultural event marking 40th anniversary, 'Sangeetha Sudhe' - Vid. S. Shankar, Bengaluru (vocal), Vid. C.N. Tyagarajan (violin), Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy (mridanga) and Vid. Raghunandan Rao (ghata), **4.30 pm;** Stage programme, *Saraswathi Samman* awardee Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa, Prof. A.T. Bhashyam, danseuse Dr. Vasundhara Doraswamy and NR Group Chairman R. Guru will be present, felicitation to *Natyacharya* Prof. M.R. Krishnamurthy (Dance), *Karnataka Kalashree* Vid. S. Shankar (Music) and Vidu. Sunita Chandrakumar (Sugama Sangeetha), **5.30 pm;** Dance Feature 'Dhanyamaanini' and 'Goundali Lasya', Patriotic Song Dance (Choreography by Guru Dr. Tulasi Ramachandra), Dr. Deepika Madhava from Mysuru comperes, Jaganmohan Palace, **6.30 pm to 9 pm.**

Teresian Cricket Academy, Department of Physical Education (DPE), University of Mysore (UoM) and Hampa Family: Valedictory of Mahadevappa Memorial Invitational (U-14) Cricket Tournament, KSCA Mysuru Zone Convenor Sudhakar Rai chief guest, Teresian Institutions Secretary Rev. Dr. Sr. Sajitha presides, Teresian College, MSJ Maria Sports Ground, **4.30 pm.**

Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate: Karnatak Classical Music by Sumukh Surya and Sinchana S. Shankar and troupe, **5 pm;** Devotional Songs by Dr. K.G. Padmanabha from Hosakote and troupe, **6.45 pm;** Sri Sita Rama, Lakshmana, Hanumanta Devara Uyyalotsava, Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises, **7 pm.**

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram: Discourse on 'Mahabharata Vana Parva' by Dr. Be.Na. Vijayendracharya, Raghavendraswamy Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Bhanuvaara Sanje Geleyara (BHASANGE) Balaga: Karnatak classical flute concert by **Vid. Mysore V. Vamshidhar,** in memory of noted art critic S.R. Krishnamurthy, accompanied by Vid. B.K. Raghu on violin, Vid. Anirudh Bhat on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Koushik on ghata, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha's Vasudevacharya Auditorium, **JLB Road, 6 pm.**

Sree Andal Mandiram Trust, Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla and Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha (Rural), Mysuru: Month-long Dhanurmasa Puja, Discourse on Tiruppavai by Vid. Ramanuja Sharma, Trust premises, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Krishna Gana Sabha: Odissi recital by **Vidu. Sindhu Krishnan** and party, Alwar Kalabhavan, Gokulam, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Muktidanandaji speaks on 'Bhagavad Gita and Karma Yoga,' Ashrama, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Hebbar Sri Vaishnava Upasabha, KR Vanam: Discourse on 'Tiruppavai Kalakshepa' by Dr. N.K. Ramaseshan, Sri Ramamandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**

Sri Mahajana Sabha: Sri Adi Shankaracharya Sharada Peetham (Hariharapura, Koppa taluk, Chikkamagalur) Seer Swayamprakasha Sachidananda Saraswathi Swamiji blesses the devotees, Special pujas, Sri Rama Mandira, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust: Hindustani Vocal Concert by Pt. Prabhu Rao, accompanied by Pt. Ramesh Dhannur on tabla and Pt. Sriram Bhat on harmonium, Sri Rama Mandira, Jayanagar, **6.30 pm.**

Rangayana: Staging of play 'Pushpa Parijata,' Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple, Tyagaraja Road: Tirupavai Discourse by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sanskrit Lecturer, Sharada Vidya Mandira, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC. 23)

Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara Institutions, Lakshmipuram: Centenary Celebrations - College anniversary celebrations, Prize Distribution and College Cultural Programme, Mysore University VC Prof. G. Hemantha Kumar inaugurates, Maharaja Education Trust (MET) President S. Murali presides, first woman Chande player from Karnataka Divyashree Subramanya Rao chief guest, Kalamandira, **9 am;** Evening session, State Award winner Vid. Y.M. Puttannaiah inaugurates, DDPI Dr. Panduranga chief guest, Swami Vivekananda Rangamantapa, Gopalaswamy Shishuvihara Institutions premises, Lakshmipuram, **4.30 pm.**

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Department of Youth Empowerment and Sports (DYES), NIMHANS, Bengaluru and Janarogya Kendra: One-day camp on Life Skills and Awareness Special Workshop, WE Shwasa Ayama Kalika Kendra, Gowrishankarnagar, **10 am.**

Sahara Art and Crafts: Handicraft and Handloom Exhibition-cum-Sale, Scouts and Guides Ground, behind DC's Office, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

HaMaNa Pratishtana, Mysuru and Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS), Mysuru: Dr. Ha.Ma. Nayak Memorial Lecture by Dr. D.V. Gopinath, retd. Director, Health and Safety Division, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre (BARC), Mubai, Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa presides, B.M. Sri auditorium, KIKS premises, Manasagangothri, **4 pm.**

Mysore Bank Colony Residents Cultural & Welfare Association: Silver Jubilee celebrations, Vid. Shivashankaraswamy's Sangeetha Vaividya and honouring past performers, Veena Seshanna Bhavana, **4.30 pm.**

Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple, Palace North Gate: Devaranama by Lalitha Parameshwari Bhajana Mandali and troupe, **5 pm;** Sugama Sangeetha by Poorvaj Vishwanath and troupe, **6.30 pm;** Sri Sita Rama, Lakshmana, Hanumanta Devara Uyyalotsava, Sri Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple premises, **7 pm.**

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Sri Tyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:

Karnatak Classical Flute Recital by **Vid. Rakesh Sudhir,** accompanied by Vid. M. Keshav on violin, Vid. Kumar Swamy on mridanga and Vid. Shyam on ghata, Sri Lakshmi Narasimha Swamy Temple, Vivekanandanagar, SBM Colony, Srirampura, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Venugopalaswamy Temple, Tyagaraja Road: Tirupavai Discourse by Vid. M.K. Shelvanarayana, Sanskrit Lecturer, Sharada Vidya Mandira, Temple premises, **7 pm.**

Selected for Nationals

Mysuru, Dec.22- **Jenita Joseph,** a 1st year B.Com student of Sri K. Puttaswamy First Grade College in city, who participated in the State-level Karate Championship held at Moodabidari, Dakshina Kannada, has bagged the first place in Kumite (55 kg) and Kata categories and has been selected for National-level.

Excels in Chess

Mysuru, Dec.22- **U.S. Mansi Achar,** a 1st standard student of Christ Public School, Mysuru, has won 1st Place in U-7 Girls category in the Chess Championship conducted by Mysore District Chess Association (MDCA) recently.

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